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No. 2007/040

## TO COUNTY ASSESSORS AND INTERESTED PARTIES:

## OPEN-SPACE LAND INTEREST COMPONENT – 2008 LIEN DATE

In accordance with section 423, subdivision (b) of the Revenue and Taxation Code, the Board is required to determine and announce, no later than October 1, the interest component of the capitalization rate to be used in the valuation of lands assessed under sections 423, 423.5, and 426.

Section 423, subdivision (b)(1) provides that the interest component shall be:

...the arithmetic mean, rounded to the nearest 1/4 percent, of the yield rate for long-term United States government bonds, as most recently published by the Federal Reserve Board as of September 1, and the corresponding yield rates for those bonds, as most recently published by the Federal Reserve Board as of each September 1 immediately prior to each of the four immediately preceding assessment years.

Information received from the Federal Reserve Board indicated the yield rates for long-term United States government bonds were 4.47 percent as of August 22, 2003; 4.25 percent as of August 27, 2004; 4.20 percent as of August 29, 2005; 4.95 percent as of August 28, 2006; and 4.85 percent as of August 31, 2007. The arithmetic mean of 4.47, 4.25, 4.20, 4.95, and 4.85 is 4.544. When rounded to the nearest one-quarter percent, the interest component for the **2008** assessment year is **4.5 percent**.

The interest components announced for prior lien dates are also enclosed.

Sincerely,

/s/Stanley Y. Siu for

David J. Gau Deputy Director Property and Special Taxes Department

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## OPEN-SPACE LAND ASSESSED UNDER SECTIONS 423, 423.5, AND 426 OF THE REVENUE AND TAXATION CODE

## INTEREST COMPONENTS FOR PRIOR YEARS

	Interest
Lien Date	Component
2007	4.50
2006	4.50
2005	4.75
2004	5.25
2003	5.25
2002	5.75
2001	6.00
2000	6.25
1999	6.75
1998	6.75
1997	7.00
1996	7.00
1995	7.00
1994	6.75
1993	7.25
1992	8.00
1991	9.00
1990	8.25
1989	9.50
1988	9.00
1987	7.25
1986	10.50
1985	12.50
1984	12.00
1983	12.50
1982	14.50
1981	11.00
1980	9.00
1979	8.50
1978	7.00
1977	6.75
1976	7.25
1975	7.25